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or termination action. EDA may require the RLF Recipient to repay the Federal Share in a lump-sum payment or enter into a Sale, or EDA may agree to enter into a repayment agreement with the RLF Recipient for repayment of the Federal Share.

- (b) EDA may approve a request from an RLF Recipient to terminate an RLF Grant. The RLF Recipient must compensate the Federal government for the Federal Share of the RLF property, including the current value of all outstanding RLF loans. However, with EDA's prior approval, upon a showing of compelling circumstances, the RLF Recipient may retain and use for other economic development activities the RLF Recipient's share of RLF Income (or program income) generated by the RLF.
- (c) Upon termination, distribution of proceeds shall occur in accordance with §307.20(d).

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§ 307.22 Variances.

EDA may approve variances to the requirements contained in this subpart, provided such variances:

- (a) Are consistent with the goals of the Economic Adjustment Assistance program and with an RLF Plan:
- (b) Are necessary and reasonable for the effective implementation of the RLF;
- (c) Are economically and financially sound: and
- (d) Do not conflict with any applicable legal requirements, including Federal, State and local law.

PART 308—PERFORMANCE INCENTIVES

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§ 308.1 Use of funds in Projects constructed under projected cost.

- (a) If the Assistant Secretary determines before closeout of a construction Project funded under parts 305 or 307 of this chapter that the cost of the Project, based on the designs and specifications that were the basis of the Investment Assistance, has decreased because of a decrease in costs, EDA may in its discretion approve the use of the excess funds (or a portion of the excess funds) by the Recipient to:
- (1) Increase the Investment Rate of the Project to the maximum percentage allowable under §301.4 of this chapter for which the Project was eligible at the time of the Investment award; or
- (2) Further improve the Project consistent with its purpose.
- (b) EDA, in its sole discretion, may use any amount of excess funds remaining after application of paragraph (a) of this section for other eligible Investments.
- (c) In the case of Projects involving funds transferred from other Federal Agencies, EDA will consult with the transferring Agency regarding the use of any excess funds.

§ 308.2 Performance awards.

- (a) A Recipient of Investment Assistance under parts 305 or 307 of this chapter may receive a performance award in connection with an Investment made on or after the date of enactment of section 215 of PWEDA in an amount not to exceed 10 percent of the amount of the Investment award.
- (b) To receive a performance award, a Recipient must demonstrate Project performance in one or more of the areas listed in this paragraph, weighted at the discretion of the Assistant Secretary:
- (1) Meet or exceed the Recipient's projection of jobs created;
- (2) Meet or exceed the Recipient's projection of private sector capital invested;
- (3) Meet or exceed target dates for Project start and completion stated at the time of Investment approval;
- (4) Fulfill the application evaluation criteria set forth in §301.8 of this chapter; or